

# CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 235 W Chestnut Street, (Fire Station) Genesee, ID 83832

**CITY COUNCIL**

**May 16, 2023**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**6:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER** - The Genesee City Council met May 16, 2023. Mayor, John Hermann called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**ROLL CALL:** Present at the meeting were Council Members: Nyla Roach, Jesse Aherin, Cody Bailey and Bill Krick(7:10pm); Public Works Dustin Brinkly and Clerk Debi Zenner

**VISITORS:** Ryan Rehder-Mountain Water Works

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Jesse made a motion, seconded by Nyla to approve the consent Agenda as presented, along with payment of the bills, Financial and Bank Statements. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Roach, Aherin, Bailey; AYES motion carries.**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Review of City Contract with Mountain Waterworks:** Ryan prepared a power point presentation to explain the project overview. He gave everyone four sets of handouts and discussed the Engineering agreement and the construction contract. Ryan discussed the engineers role in the construction phase. Mayor Hermann would like everyone to read the handouts and asked Ryan to come back for our meeting, June 6<sup>th</sup>, to answer any questions council may have.

**Funding Waste water project:** The funding source is an ongoing challenge. Mayor Hermann asked everyone to look at the handout put together by Mountain Waterworks and thanked Kristina for putting so much work into this document. Mayor Hermann discussed raising the sewer rates and doesn't want to put too much of an increase on our citizens. Ryan explained they've gone to great lengths to bring in extra grant monies for this project. Another option is to try and reduce the project costs. We need to design a facility to meet the short and long term requirements for the City. Some of the required items, Mountain Waterworks didn't see as necessary, are actually required by DEQ, such as a back-up generator. Ryan recommends council wait to see what the funding package comes back as. There is a 60 day window on the bids and we have the option to reject them, as everything is waiting on the funding.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Planning and Zoning Applications:** Bill made a motion, seconded by Nyla to accept the two applicants, John Lee and Travis Pannell, to be included on the Genesee Planning and Zoning Commission; **ROLL CALL VOTE; Krick, Roach, Aherin, Bailey; AYES, motion carries.**

**Council Meetings returning to City Hall:** Motion made by Bill, seconded by Nyla to move the regularly scheduled Council meetings back to City Hall, beginning June 6<sup>th</sup>; **ROLL CALL VOTE; Krick, Roach, Aherin, Bailey; AYES, motion carries.**

**CITY OFFICIAL, COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS**

**Mayor Update:** The Well #8 property purchase agreement has been delivered to Moscow Title. We may have to look into a new IT provider who can facilitate public records search requests. Also acknowledged a letter from Debi regarding part time help in the City Hall.

**Bill Krick – Water and Sewer Update:** Bill discussed Well #5 not being able to keep up with the demand of outside watering and we've asked the community to conserve, so we don't have to go through the process of turning on Well #3. It would really be nice to get the pump and our new Well turned on as soon as possible. All materials should be delivered and here by the middle of next week. The pump house design, change order #1, will add additional costs.

**Cody Bailey – Street Update: None**

**Jesse Aherin – Administrative Update: None**

**Nyla Roach – Parks Update:** Art Lindquist called regarding a communications drill that will be using the ball fields.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion made by Jesse, seconded by Cody to go into Executive Session at 8:22pm under **Idaho Code 74-206 (1)(f)** *To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement;* **ROLL CALL VOTE; Krick, Roach, Aherin, Bailey; AYES, motion carries.**

Motion made by Cody, seconded by Bill to come out of Executive Session and back into Regular Session at 8:33pm  
**ROLL CALL VOTE; Krick, Roach, Aherin, Bailey; AYES, motion carries.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Cody, seconded by Jesse to adjourn at 8:35pm; **VOICE VOTE: AYES, motion carries.**



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John Hermann, Mayor



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Debi Zenner, City Clerk/Treasurer